

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A sealed face mask, comprising:

a) a covering for the nostrils and mouth;

b) wherein the covering includes a periphery completely surrounding the nostrils and mouth, wherein the periphery is structured to extend from a first position on the bridge of the nose above the nostrils to the right side of the nose, from said right side of the nose to a position on the front of the face beyond the right side of the mouth, from said position beyond the right side of the mouth to a position on the front of the face below the lower lip and on the front of the chin, from said position below the lower lip to a position on the front of the face beyond the left side of the mouth, from said position beyond the left side of the mouth to the left side of the nose, from said left side of the nose back to said first position on the bridge of the nose such that the nostrils and mouth are completely surrounded;

c) wherein the covering comprises a portion projecting outwardly of the mouth, with the portion projecting outwardly of the mouth being within the periphery and being convex relative to an exterior of the portion;

d) wherein the covering is structured to permit air into and out of the covering;

e) wherein the covering is structured to minimize a flow of substances into and out of the covering; and

f) a seal on an entirety of the periphery, with the seal being an uninterrupted endless seal that completely surrounds the nostrils and mouth, wherein the seal includes

an adhesive that sticks to skin to minimize an amount of substances that access the nostrils and mouth via a route between the periphery and the face and to maximize the amount of substances that are trapped by the covering.

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10. (original) The sealed face mask of claim 1, and further comprising a neutralizing agent engaged to the covering where the covering is structured to permit air into the covering to maximize the chances that substances passing through the covering are rendered less harmful by the neutralizing agent.

11. (original) The sealed face mask of claim 1, and further comprising activated charcoal engaged to the covering where the covering is structured to permit air into and out of the covering to maximize the chances that

substances passing through the covering are rendered less harmful by the activated charcoal.

12. (currently amended) A sealed face mask, comprising:

a) a covering for the nostrils and mouth;

b) wherein the covering includes a periphery completely surrounding the nostrils and mouth, wherein the periphery is structured to extend from a first position on the bridge of the nose above the nostrils to the right side of the nose, from said right side of the nose to a position on the front of the face beyond the right side of the mouth, from said position beyond the right side of the mouth to a position on the front of the face below the lower lip and on the front of the chin, from said position below the lower lip to a position on the front of the face beyond the left side of the mouth, from said position beyond the left side of the mouth to the left side of the nose, from said left side of the nose back to said first position on the bridge of the nose such that the nostrils and mouth are completely surrounded;

c) wherein the covering comprises a portion projecting beyond the mouth, with the portion projecting beyond the mouth being within the periphery and being convex relative to an exterior of the portion;

d) wherein the covering is structured to permit air into and out of the covering;

e) wherein the covering is structured to minimize a flow of substances into and out of the covering;

f) a neutralizing agent engaged to the covering where the covering is structured to permit air into the covering to maximize the chances that substances passing through the covering are rendered less harmful by the neutralizing agent, with the neutralizing agent extending from a top side

to a bottom side of the covering and from a right side to a left side of said covering such that any air passing through said covering confronts the neutralizing agent; and

g) wherein the neutralizing agent comprises activated charcoal;

h) a seal on an entirety of the periphery, with the seal being an uninterrupted endless seal that completely surrounds the nostrils and mouth, wherein the seal includes an adhesive that sticks to skin to minimize an amount of substances that access the nostrils and mouth via a route between the periphery and the face and to maximize the amount of substances that are trapped by the covering, wherein the adhesive extends entirely about the periphery; and

i) wherein the adhesive comprises a styrene-olefin-styrene block copolymer.

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43. (new) A sealed face mask, comprising:

a) a covering for the nostrils and mouth;

b) wherein the covering includes a periphery completely surrounding the nostrils and mouth, wherein the periphery is structured to extend from a first position on the bridge of the nose above the nostrils to the right side of the nose, from said right side of the nose to a position on the front of the face beyond the right side of the mouth, from said position beyond the right side of the mouth to a position on the front of the face below the lower lip and on the front of the chin, from said position below the lower lip to a position on the front of the face beyond the left side of the mouth, from said position beyond the left side of the mouth to the left side of the nose, from said left side of the nose back to said first position on the bridge of the nose such that the nostrils and mouth are completely surrounded;

c) wherein the covering comprises a portion projecting beyond the mouth, with the portion projecting beyond the mouth being within the periphery and being convex relative to an exterior of the portion;

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d) wherein the covering is structured to permit air into and out of the covering;

e) wherein the covering is structured to minimize a flow of substances into and out of the covering;

f) a seal on an entirety of the periphery, with the seal being an uninterrupted endless seal that completely surrounds the nostrils and mouth, wherein the seal includes an adhesive that sticks to skin to minimize an amount of substances that access the nostrils and mouth via a route between the periphery and the face and to maximize the amount of substances that are trapped by the covering, wherein the adhesive extends entirely about the periphery; and

g) wherein the adhesive comprises a styrene-olefin-styrene block copolymer.